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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please substitute the following claims for the pending claims with the same numbers, respectively:

Claim 1 (Currently amended): An indwelling catheter set for use with an infusion system having an opposite connector, the indwelling catheter set comprising:

a catheter;

a cover fixed to a proximal end of the catheter;

a connector having a hemostatic valve housed in the connector, the connector being fixed to the cover;

an adapter detachably connected to one end of the connector;

a hollow needle slidably fitted to an inside of the catheter;

a needle cover fixed to a proximal end of the hollow needle, the needle cover being configured so as to be connected with the adapter; and

a telescopic pipe comprising a safety cover, the telescopic pipe being housed in the needle cover so as to be extensible wherein the safety cover covers a distal end of the hollow needle when the telescopic pipe is fully extended.

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wherein the one end of the connector is also connectable with the opposite connector when the adapter is detached so that a flow path for fluid to travel through the infusion system to the catheter is along and parallel with a longitudinal axis of the connector, and

wherein the adapter includes a second homeostatic valve.

Claims 2-4 (Cancelled):

Claim 5 (Currently amended): The indwelling catheter set of claim [[3]] 1, wherein the hemostatic valves are disposed in a coaxial and separated manner so as to guide the hollow needle.

Claim 6 (Previously presented): The indwelling catheter set of claim 1, wherein the hemostatic valve is so disposed in the connector that a portion of the opposite connector is capable to pass through the hemostatic valve when the opposite connector is detachably connected to the one end of the connector.

Claim 7 (Previously presented): The indwelling catheter set of claim 1, wherein the one end of the connector includes engaging means for making a connection with either of the adapter

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and the opposite connector.